

this Act in Evidence upon the Gen^l Issue Any Law Statute or C. P. Custome to the Contrary notwithstanding.

And be itt further Enacted by the Authority Advice and Consent a^d that after the end of this present Sessions of Assembly itt shall not be Lawfull for any person not having Land of his Own not renting a plantation to keep any breeding Mare or Mares in the woods upon the penalty of Six hundred pounds of Tob^o for Every breeding mare by such person owned & kept the one halfe of which fines to goe to his Majesty towards Defraying the County Charge where such Offendor shall reside the other halfe to the Informer or him or them that shall sue for the same to be recovered by Action of Debt bill Plaint or Information wherein no Essoyne protection or wager of Law to be Allowed.

An Act relateing to the Standard of English Weights and Measures.

Whereas the Standard of English weights and Measures are Very much Impaired in Severall of the Countys of this province and in some wholly lost & Unfitt for use—

Be itt Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty by ^{p. 150} and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesties Governour Councill and Assembly of this province and the Authority of the Same that the Justices of the Sev^l County Courts shall by all Convenient Speed att the Charge of their respective Countys Cause the Standards they already have to be made Compleat And purchase New Standards where they have none And for the better preservation of them for the future that they take good and Sufficient Security in his Majesties Name to the use of the County where taken from the persons that shall be Intrusted by them to keep such Standard in the penall Summe of fifty pounds Sterling for the Safe keeping such Standard and for the Due Execution of the Office of Standard keeper and for the Delivery of the Same up in the like good order they receive the Same when they shall be Legally Discharged from such trust under the penalty of five hundred pounds of Tob^o for Each Justice of that County Court that shall omitt to doe what is required of them by this Act the one halfe to his Majesty his heirs and Successors for the Support of Government the other halfe to the Informer or to him or them that shall sue for the same to be recovered in the Provinciall Court of this province ag^t such Justices Joyntly or Severally by Action of Debt bill plaint or Information wherein no Essoyne protection or wager of Law to be Allowed.

And be itt further Enacted by the Authority a^d by and ^{p. 151}